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Goodland - Congressman Jerry Moran today announced that he will host a public forum designed to give veterans in Northwest Kansas an outlet to discuss the delivery of benefits and health care through Veterans Affairs (VA) and share their thoughts and concerns. Dr. Lawrence Biro, Director for the VA's Denver region, which includes six Northwest Kansas counties, will be the featured guest at the public forum later this month.

" As the age and number of our veterans increase, so will their need for benefits and health care services from the VA, " Moran said. " This forum will provide veterans with an opportunity to discuss their needs and the challenges they face with the VA Director, who is responsible for their care. Our country owes a tremendous debt to our veterans. By hearing directly from them, we can do a better job of providing veterans with the highest quality of care possible. "

This is the third such forum on veterans issues hosted by Moran. Previous forums have been held in Salina and Clay Center.

The event will be held on **Friday**, **August 27 from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. at the VFW Post**, **824 Main Street in Goodland**. Members of Moran's staff will be on hand along with caseworkers from the VA to handle any concerns that veterans or their families may have. All area veterans as well as other members of the public are encouraged to attend.

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